## **NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

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Subject: Filing of Notice of determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.

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	Project Title: Palo Alto Flood Basin Tide Gate S	o Alto Flood Basin Tide Gate Structure Replacement Project				
	Project Location:	oject Location:				
		he project is located in Santa Clara County in the northwest corner of the Palo Alto Flood Basin in the City of				
	Project Description:					
	The Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) is proposing to replace the existing Palo Alto Flood Basin tide gate structure in order to maintain flood protection in the communities surrounding the flood basin and along the U.S. Highway 101 corridor. The Project would involve construction of a new 132-foot-wide tide gate structure slightly inboard (upstream) and southeast of the existing 113-foot-wide deteriorating tide gate structure, removal of the existing tide gate structure and levee, and construction of a new levee that ties into the new tide gate structure. Construction of the Project would occur in two phases with separate dewatering systems to allow continued operation of a tide gate throughout construction. Specific project elements include up to 2.3 miles of levee trail resurfacing (for access); installation of two sheet pile dewatering systems; construction of the new tide gate structure on a concrete foundation supported by drilled piles; demolition and removal of the existing tide gate structure and levee; and construction of a new levee connecting to the new tide gate structure. Construction would span up to 5 years but would be limited to September 1 through January 31 annually to avoid and minimize impacts on biological resources.					
This is to advise that the Santa Clara Valley Water District has approved the above described project on April 27, 2021, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:						
2 3 4	<ol> <li>The project □ will, ☒ will not, have a significant effect on the environment.</li> <li>☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. ☒ A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.</li> <li>Mitigation measures ☒ were, ☐ were not made a condition of the approval of the project.</li> <li>A statement of Overriding Considerations ☐ was, ☒ was not adopted for this project.</li> <li>Findings ☒ were, ☒ were not made pursuant to the provision of CEQA.</li> </ol>					
This is to certify that the Mitigated Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:  Santa Clara Valley Water District  5750 Almaden Expressway San Jose, CA 95118						
D	Date Received for Filing and Posting at OPR:					
	Signature (Public Agency) Signed by:	der	Title: Chief Executive	e Officer	Date: 4/28/2021	